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Honorable Hank Brown
United States Senator
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Dear Senator Brown:

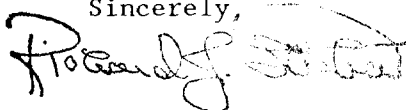
This is in reply to your letter of February 23, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, Mark Collard, regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituent is specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituent's concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituent's letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Shiben
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Ms. Lou Sizemore
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Dear Ms. Sizemore:

Enclosed is a copy of the correspondence from Mark Collard. The correspondence is in regard to his concerns about the proposed FCC rule changes (P.R. Docket 92-235) which would affect frequencies assigned to model aircraft.

Your review of this material and any suggestions for replying to

The Honorable Hank Brown
Dear Sir,

My name is Mark Collard. I belong to a club in Sterling that is called, Sterling Miniature Aircraft Association. Our club with its thirty or so members are quite concerned about some proposed rule changes that are under consideration by the F.C.C., P.R. Docket 92-235. If adopted these new rules will greatly reduce the usability of the frequencies that have been assigned exclusively for model aircraft.

To make a long story short, the F.C.C. wants our radio channels for mobile phones

While this may not seem like a lot of money to you, it is to me.

I urge you not to let this pass. Keep 10 KHZ spacing between all frequencies on 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands available for R.C. modelers. Please don't eliminate this hobby in which so many have found rewarding.

I think you are considerate of all your constituents, and support them when you can. That is why I supported you